MS24-O2 Spin, charge and momentum densities of YTiO3 perovskyte

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High resolution X-ray (XRD) and polarized neutron diffractions (PND) are routinely used to model charge and spin densities of localized electrons, while inelastic Compton scattering (ICS) is a valuable mean for determining delocalized electrons. Our objective is to construct a unique electron density model common to these three experimental data sets. We have demonstrated that a joint refinement of a multipolar model based on polarized neutron and X-ray diffraction data is possible and brings more insight in the electron distribution [1]. The inclusion of ICS data implies to go beyond the atom centered model to take into account bicentric terms. As the multipolar model is thus no more adapted, a new model based on atomic orbitals under development will be discussed and applied to a YTiO3 perovskite crystal. This compound is ferromagnetic at low temperature (below 29K), suggesting that a single d electron (0.84mB/mol) mainly localized on the Ti atom gives rise to the magnetic interactions.

Reference 1. “First spin-resolved electron distributions in crystals from combined polarized neutron and X-ray diffraction experiments”. Maxime Deutsch, Béatrice Gillon, Nicolas Claiser, Jean-Michel Gillet, Claude Lecomte, and Mohamed Souhassoua,*IUCrJ. 2014 May 1; 1(Pt 3): 194–199.*

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MS24-O3 New antiferromagnets $[CuX(pyz)_2](BF_4)$ with X = Cl and Br.

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The structures of new compound $[CuX(pyz)_2](BF_4)$ with $X = Cl^-$ and Br^- and pyz = pyrazine were determined by single crystal X-ray diffraction. These tetragonal compounds crystallize in space group *P4/nbm*. They are built from $[Cu(pyz)_2]^{2+}$ layers which are connected by X^- ions along the *c*-axis. Charge is compensated by BF_4^- ions in the voids of the 3D coordination compound. The antiferromagnetic interactions between the Cu^{2+} ions are mainly two-dimensional (2D) located within the $[Cu(pyz)_2]^{2+}$ layers. This results in a broad maximum of the magnetic susceptibility around 9 K. Towards lower temperature a kink is observed at 4 K which indicates long-range 3D magnetic order. The magnetic unit cell is doubled along the *c*-axis (k = 0,0,1/2) and the ordered magnetic moment amounts to $\mu_x = 0.76(8)\ \mu_B/Cu^{2+}$ at 1.5 K. The moments are antiferromagnetically coupled along the *b*- and *c*-axes. Long-range 3D magnetic order is observed below $T_N = 3.9(1)$ K. A fit of a 2D Heisenberg model to the magnetic susceptibility data results in $J_{||} = 9.6$ K.

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